

Amendments to House Bill No. 2 1st Reading Copy

Requested by Representative Bill Glaser

For the House Appropriations Committee

Prepared by Jim Standaert May 11, 2007 (1:04pm)

1. Page E-1, line 17.

Strike: "55,539 4,195,539" [general fund FY08 and FY09] **Insert:** " 0 0" [general fund FY08 and FY09]

2. Page E-1, line 19.

Strike: "515,065,650 525,747,540" [general fund FY08 and FY09] **Insert:** "515,121,189 531,803,079" [general fund FY08 and FY09]

3. Page E-2, line 26 and line 27.

Strike: lines 26 and 27

4. Page E-2, following line 27.

Insert: "Base Aid is reduced by \$6 million in fiscal year 2009 if
[LC5] does not pass."

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Explanation - IN SB 2 there is a provision to count social workers and psychologists as educators for the quality educator payment for a total of \$55,539 each year. This should be combined into the Base Aid line.

IN HB 2, before this amendment, there is \$4,140,000 in FY 2009 to reflect the reimbursement in LC 5 (HB 5) to schools for the increase in the class 8 business equipment exemption to \$65,000. This is accomplished in HB 5 by raising the district general fund GTB ratio by 5 percentage points. However, this undercompensates districts statewide. The true amount needed for reimbursement is \$6,000,000 statewide, which requires in HB 5 raising the district GTB ratio by 10 percentage points and the county retirement GTB ratio by 1 percentage point. An amendment to HB 5 has been prepared doing that. The net effect of this amendment raises K-12 costs by 1,860,000 in FY 2009.